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NEW ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISIONS PLANNED IN PRAGUE

In connection with the decentralization of the people's administration now being carried out in Prague, the government has made preparatory arrangements to divide Prague into urban districts (Obvody). District National Committees will govern them instead of District Councils. Their territorial divisions differ in many instances from the present division.

In dividing the city, special consideration was given to abolishing the unreasonable situation in which some units of the people's administration administered up to 120,000 citizens (Prague I-VI), or 110,000 (Prague XI), while other units had only 20,000 to 25,000 inhabitants (Prague X and XVII). The new arrangement also takes into consideration communications, populations, and the social conditions of the inhabitants.

In making the division, attention was paid not only to present needs but also to the planned development of the various parts of Prague, where new houses and buildings are to be built. The units formed will have 60,000 to 80,000 inhabitants. The elected officials of the people's administration will thus have a better opportunity to know their constituents and vice versa.

The present cadastral district and the boundaries of the new districts are shown on the map which follows.

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